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For: Method and Apparatus for Performing Dialog Management  
in a Computer Conversational Interface

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

**The claims fee has been calculated as shown below:**

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INDEP	5	MINUS	** 5	0	X \$100	\$ [ ]	X \$200	\$ [ ]
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[ ] Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the [ ] dated [ ] for [ ] month(s) from [ ] to [ ]. The appropriate fee is set forth below.

[X] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated April 17, 2006 for one (1) month from July 17, 2006 to August 17, 2006 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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